

House File 2465

S-5249

1 Amend the amendment, S-5236, to House File 2465,
2 as amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, as
3 follows:

4 1. Page 54, after line 23 by inserting:

5 <DIVISION _____

6 SCHOOL START DATE

7 Sec. _____. Section 257.17, Code 2011, is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 **257.17 Aid reduction for early school starts.**

10 State aid payments made pursuant to section
11 257.16 for a fiscal year shall be reduced by one
12 one-hundred-eightieth for each day of that fiscal year
13 for which the school district begins school before the
14 earliest starting date specified in section 279.10,
15 subsection 1. However, this section does not apply
16 to a school district that has received approval from
17 the ~~director of the department of education under~~
18 for a pilot program for an innovative school year in
19 accordance with section 279.10, subsection 4 3, or to
20 commence classes for regularly established elementary
21 and secondary schools in advance of the starting
22 earliest start date established in section 279.10,
23 subsection 1.

24 Sec. _____. Section 279.10, subsections 1 and 2, Code
25 2011, are amended to read as follows:

26 1. The school year shall begin on the first day
27 of July and each regularly established elementary
28 and secondary school shall begin no sooner than a day
29 ~~during the calendar week in which the first day fourth~~
30 Monday of September falls August, but no later than the
31 first Monday in December. ~~However, if the first day~~
32 ~~of September falls on a Sunday, school may begin on a~~
33 ~~day during the calendar week which immediately precedes~~
34 ~~the first day of September, unless the school district~~
35 ~~has received approval from the department of education~~
36 ~~for a pilot program for an innovative school year in~~
37 accordance with subsection 3. The earliest start date
38 specified in this section shall not apply to a school
39 district that maintains a year around three-semester
40 school year. School shall continue for at least one
41 hundred eighty days, except as provided in subsection
42 3, and may be maintained during the entire calendar
43 year. However, if the board of directors of a district
44 extends the school calendar because inclement weather
45 caused the district to temporarily close school during
46 the regular school calendar, the district may excuse
47 a graduating senior who has met district or school
48 requirements for graduation from attendance during the
49 extended school calendar. A school corporation may
50 begin employment of personnel for in-service training

1 and development purposes before the date to begin
2 elementary and secondary school.
3 2. The board of directors shall hold a public
4 hearing on any proposal for a pilot program for an
5 innovative school year prior to submitting ~~it~~ such a
6 request to the department of education for approval
7 pursuant to subsection 3.
8 Sec. _____. Section 279.10, subsection 4, Code 2011,
9 is amended by striking the subsection.
10 Sec. _____. EFFECTIVE DATE. This division of this
11 Act takes effect July 1, 2013.
12 Sec. _____. APPLICABILITY. This division of this Act
13 is applicable to school years beginning on or after
14 July 1, 2013.>
15 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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